



City of Annapolis
Annapolis Heritage Commission
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June 4, 2014

The Annapolis Heritage Commission (AHC) of the City of Annapolis held its June 4, 2014 meeting at 145 Gorman Street Conference Room 3. Ms. Engelke called the meeting to order at 5:12pm.

A. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Haight, McWilliams, Ramirez, Worden, Engelke, Bowen

Commissioners Absent: Chair Mack, Cropper, Hayes-Williams, Holland, Clark

Staff: Craig-Board Liaison

The agenda was approved as submitted.

B. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. February 19, 2014 and April 9, 2014

Ms. Engelke moved approval of the February 19, 2014 and April 9, 2014 meeting as amended. Ms. Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 6-0.

2. Discussion on the 400th Anniversary of Queen Anne's Death

Mr. Worden was asked to place this item on the AHC agenda as part of an email discussion among the Annapolis History Consortium. Ms. Engelke noted that in 2002, the City hosted a birthday celebration for Queen Anne at Reynolds Tavern. After a few years of the City hosting, the owners began to host the celebration but were required to obtain a letter from the Mayor to the Ambassador of Great Britain who always sent someone to the event. The owners are still willing to host the celebration but the concern relates to who will draft the letter. Mr. Fogle's name was raised as a possibility. There was a brief discussion regarding the date of Queen Anne's death and a possible celebratory wake. Ms. Craig suggested that the AHC find out when Annapolis first learned of Queen Anne's date for inclusion in a proclamation. Ms. McWilliams agreed to research this information. Once the date is obtained then the Reynolds Tavern will be scheduled for the wake event. Ms. Ramirez will also check into determining the Queen Anne historian. The AHC is considering an October date for the event.

3. Update on Living Landmarks Award

Ms. Craig met with the Mayor who supported the AHC nominee recommendations for the Living Landmarks Award. The Mayor has requested a date in September for the event and Ms. Bowen will check on the availability of Maryland Hall to provide dates to Ms. Craig for the event.

4. Replacing the Charter 300 Historic Marker

Ms. Engelke provided photographs of some of the deteriorated Charter 300 historic markers and noted that it would cost \$3,300 to replace the markers. She believes that the markers are still under warranty with Fossil the original company. She noted that there was funding in the Recreation and Parks budget but these funds are no longer available. She explained that there are interested groups who are willing to contribute funds to assist in the effort of replacing some of the deteriorated markers. Ms. Craig believes that the Arts in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) could be an avenue to accept these funds. She agreed to discuss the matter with the City Manager for the best approach and report at the next AHC meeting. In the interim, Ms. Craig will check into whether the quotes from

Fossil are still valid. There was a brief discussion regarding possibly having DPW to clean some of the existing signs.

5. Update on the Primrose Farm Development

Ms. Craig explained that she and Tom Smith met with the Elm Street Development to discuss the Primrose Farm project. Elm Street modified the layout of the project. Staff has tried to avoid the installation of a roadway in front of the Manor House but to use an existing path behind the house. The idea is to reduce the medium and the owner of the roads, Genesis was not amenable. The Elm Street will not be a hard asphalt road but a walking path using sustainable material that is wide enough for a vehicle so it can be tied into the open space of the house. She will follow up to see if there have been any more developments to report.

6. Presentation by Annapolis 1864 – Request/Approval for Markers Celebrating the 150th Anniversary

Ms. Hayes-Williams was not present to report on this agenda item. Ms. Craig reported that some of the AHC funds were used to fund speakers for this Maryland Day event if there are any remaining funds will be used for the Queen Anne event.

7. Discussion on Oral History Project

Ms. Craig suggested completing oral histories on this year's nominees for the Living Landmark Awards and maybe this can be built into part of the funding program. She believes some of this history should be captured and that the AHC is the best venue for this type of program. Ms. Bowen agreed to contact the Annapolis HS magnet school to solicit interest. Ms. Ramirez suggested checking with the AACC history department for interest. She also suggested a finder's guide for people doing research for bibliographies.

8. Presentation by Lisa Craig on Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan

Ms. Craig will be doing a presentation on the Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation plan on June 11, 2014 at noon as a Brown Bag event. She was provided a list of storms that the City has tracked. Ms. McWilliams will provide a copy of the book from David Ludlum for Ms. Craig to use as well as any other storm information. In response to what the mitigation is, Ms. Craig explained that the mitigation is to provide individual property owners with the tools and techniques that are available.

Expired Terms

Ms. Engelke noted that she and Ms. Cropper's terms are due to expire on June 30, 2014.

Meeting Time Change

The AHC agreed to change the meeting time from 5:30pm to 5:00pm.

Next Meeting Date

The AHC agreed to meet on a day in July for a gathering instead of an August meeting and Ms. Craig will send out an email request for dates.

C. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for a **July date, time and location to be determined**. With there being no further business, Mr. Haight moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:26pm. Mr. Worden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 5-0. (Engelke not present at vote)